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Robert F. Stewart Regional Environmental Officer Denver Federal Center P.O. Box 25007 (D-108) Denver, CO 80225-0007

Re: Notification of Remedial Investigation/Feasibility Study (RI/FS) Negotiations, Libby

Asbestos Site (08-BC), Operable Unit 6 - The Burlington Northern and Santa Fe Railway

Company (OU 6)

Dear Mr. Stewart:

Pursuant to Section 104(b)(2) of CERCLA, this letter is informing you of negotiations concerning actions to be taken in response to a release or threatened release of hazardous substances at the Libby Asbestos Site (Site), located in Libby, Montana. The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) will be negotiating an RI/FS at OU 6 of this Site with the Burlington Northern and Santa Fe Railway Company (BNSF). The Remedial Project Manager (RPM) for OU 6 of this Site is Rebecca Thomas. Should you require further technical information about the Site, you may contact Ms. Thomas at 303-312-6552.

The EPA is planning to conduct settlement negotiations with BNSF in hopes of reaching settlement in early 2012. The EPA plans for the settlement to include having BNSF conduct the Rl/FS work on property that they currently own or where they have rights of way.

If the Federal Natural Resource Trustees have any natural resource damage claims to assert regarding this Site, please contact Lorraine Ross, Enforcement Attorney for the EPA, at 303-312-6888. Any questions regarding this letter may be addressed to Sharon Abendschan, Enforcement Specialist, at 303-312-6957.

Sincerely,

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